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From: Railtrue@aol.com
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Thu, May 22, 2003 10:54 PM
Subject: Please Read!

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Most likely you will never read this e-mail, but I am concerned for free speech here in America. If this bill goes through allowing companies to own more than two stations in a market, I will be so disheartened by the state of our country. The media thrives on a system of checks and balances produced by added competition. By allowing corporate giants to grow fat and greedy by shutting down or owning more than one station or voice in a community, you are relegating this country to a media that will soon be owned by lobbyists and government officials who will have the means to cover up scandal and lies to the public. Fewer media voices will not be good for any common American citizen! I just can't believe this! Please don't allow this bill to pass! Please protect our freedom of voice! It is our constitutional right! This is nothing short of a monopoly! What country do I live in? I'm beginning to wonder! But I will practice my freedom to voice my opinion in the next election, by not voting for any member of congress who supports this bill! I am non-partisan, and I am not alone. I, along with millions of other concerned Americans, will be watching closely.

Sincerely,

Holly N. Roehl

A Concerned & Proud American Citizen

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From: Stephen Wilson Sr
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Thu, May 22, 2003 1:17 PM
Subject: Change

It is not in the best interest of the whole to change the rules so that a small few may have such incredible power. I hope that this is apparent and you will not change the rules so a few may dominate the media.

Thank you,

Stephen D. Wilson

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From: Stephen Marley
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Thu, May 22, 2003 12:27 PM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

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Stephen Marley (marleyimage@earthlink.net) writes:

Dear Commissioner Adelstein,

Please add my name to the list of individuals who regard the regulatory changes proposed by the the commission as a potential danger to the diversity of opinion that, I believe, is essential to sustain our democracy. I urge the commission to delay any action in this regard and open the process up to additional public debate.

Thank you for your consideration,
Steve Marley

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Remote IP address: 63.202.181.157

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From: Sharon L. Hone
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Thu, May 22, 2003 4:39 PM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

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Sharon L. Hone (honemedia@sssnnet.com) writes:

Dear Commissioner Adelstein,

Thank you for your courageous stand in support of our public airways and our Democracy! You seem to be fighting an uphill battle to prevent the monopolization of our airways! I do not understand why there has not been public discussion of the extremely important issue nor why the rush to change the rules by June 2nd!?!

Sincerely,

Sharon L. Hone

9586 Pondera St. N.W.

Massillon, OH 44646

honemedia@sssnnet.com

phone: 330/854-5584

Server protocol: HTTP/1.1

Remote host: 24.140.74.182

Remote IP address: 24.140.74.182

From: Scott Zorc
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Fri, May 23, 2003 10:28 AM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

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Scott Zorc (zorcman@wildmail.com) writes:

Commissioner Adelstein

In recent times I have had the need to contact many broadcast media companies. It has been my experience, that in market areas where one corporation or company has control of many media sources, access to those local media sources has been severely restricted.

Letting large areas of media concentrations come under control of one parent company is not good for the American public. America needs a broad and diverse media experience which will be hindered if media concentration is allowed to become even more concentrated in the hands of fewer and fewer concerns.

I would like to thank you for your efforts to restrain the growth of mass media concentrations for the good of the American public interest.

Sincerely,

Scott Zorc
1515 Cypress Drive
Buford, GA 30518

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From: Sandra Childs
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Sat, May 17, 2003 3:41 PM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

Sandra Childs (cachecow@attbi.com) writes:

Mr. Adelstein, please, fight this rush by Mr. Powell to further de-regulate the FCC. It is un-American to stifle competition. Competition is what makes greatness and keeps things reasonable and affordable, as well. As it is, I haven't heard real news since 2000. Why is this being done in such a rush and secrecy? Many of us out here find it very suspicious. Of course, we are not hearing about it on mainstream media, as it is stifled by the large corporations who own the media already. Don't make the situation worse. Your decision will have long term repercussions. Please, keep the airwaves open. Don't de-regulate. Re-regulate. Make Clear Channel sell stations. They own 1200? That's insane. Far too much power. It is corrupting. Please, be thoughtful, reasonable, and aware of what you are deciding. And keep America safe and free. It's a tight-rope walk already. Thank you for your time and thoughtfulness. Be clear with motives and you will act correctly.

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From: Sally Tardani
To: Mike Powell, Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner
Adelstein
Date: Thu, May 22, 2003 8:56 AM
Subject: Deregulation

Please vote NO on deregulation of press and TV media. Thank you.

Leonard and Sally Tardani
2928 Roosevelt Rd
Muskegon, Mi 49441

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From: Sabina E. Yates
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Fri, May 16, 2003 1:12 PM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

Sabina E. Yates (redfoxred@earthlink.net) writes:

Thank You for holding the hearing in San Francisco - it was really a revelation to me about the Clear Channel operation. Please don't vote for any rule that would jeopardize our reception of C-SPAN and C-SPAN 2!

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From: ryan gelok
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 21, 2003 3:25 PM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

ryan gelok (rgelok@wbtbc.com) writes:

I am very concerned about the upcoming vote concerning the concentration of the meada. I cannot more steernly express my fear and aprehection of rushing the vote on this issue, and was wondering why won't you allow a public inquiry or delay the vote. The public needs to be made aware of the situation and allowed to make an informed vote on this issue. Anything less would be an insult to the American people as well as the democratic principals by which we are all governed. I emlore you to search your conscious, recognize that rushing things usually reaps defective, unintended results and delay the vote till the public are informed of the issue.

Sincerly

Ryan Gelok

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Remote IP address: 216.222.109.46

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From: rosemary griffith
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Sun, May 18, 2003 2:34 PM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

rosemary griffith (rgriffit@wisc.edu) writes:

Thank you for having the courage to stand up for FREE SPEECH and freedom of access to information in this country. We need more like you. The trends in this country that threaten the Bill of Rights frighten and dismay. Don't back down!!

Server protocol: HTTP/1.0
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From: Rogerhope
To: Mike Powell
cc:
Subject: FCC Rules

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

I do not support changing the FCC rules that whould let
large Corporations
gobble up more small radio stations.

Roger Hope

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From: Roger Scott
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Thu, May 22, 2003 9:59 AM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

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Roger Scott (rdscott@pacbell.net) writes:

I am opposed to any relaxation of the rules of ownership. This move will eliminate divergent voices.

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Remote IP address: 64.169.107.109

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From: Robert Frazier
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 21, 2003 12:59 AM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

Robert Frazier (bobfrazier@sbcglobal.net) writes:

Commissioner Adelstein: I've just finished watching and listening to you on C-SPAN. You were so right on that I just wanted to let you know that I think that you are an American 1st amendment champion. I hope that the powers that be don't remove from your very important position for all of our sakes.

Robert L. Frazzier
Sunnyvale, CA

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Remote IP address: 64.170.115.43

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From: Robert E. Wood
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Thu, May 22, 2003 9:35 PM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

Robert E. Wood (musicman@taconic.net) writes:

Please try and rise above the myopia of the Texas Taliban to recognize that Murdoch, Disney, Clear Channel, and cos. are NOT in the PUBLIC Interest. You vote to strangle the democracy we fought so many wars to preserve if you allow the galloping acquisitions already so far advanced. Bush too will pass - don't let our democracy flush down with him.

Server protocol: HTTP/1.0
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Remote IP address: 205.231.150.29

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Dear Chairpeople,

In legislation governing Telecommunications (the hearing, seen on C-Span) everyone, Senators-out of a lack of knowledge, Commissioners-out of deference to the big Telecommunications' Corporations, referred to THE LAST MILE.

IT IS NOT THE LAST MILE. IT IS THE LAST INCH, where the greatest control, diversity and economics for consumers resides-in the digital, net-enabled, set top box. Forget waiting for the "plug and play" TV sets. Only the wealthy will replace their current working, TV sets. 90% of your constituents will depend on a cheap or free set top box to upgrade to digital TV experiences and for, especially for, poorer people and kids, it can also provide homes' (with a cheap remote keyboard) a basic PC/Internet.

Bowing to Broadcasters and Cable companies, the FCC Chairman and some Republican Senators want to stall the that part of the 1996 TC act in making the set top box "open architecture." That is, a box that is not distributed (actually leased at great profits) to consumers. Boxes now programmed to be unscrambled only within each cable station's infrastructure; instead of a set top box that consumers can buy through various retail outlets and "plug n' play" with provider's cable.

I'm in the business and I can tell you with absolute certainty that the Cables' consortium "CabLabs" have already developed such a "open architecture" box. However, their bosses will not deploy because the Cables do not want to give up the control inherent in that LAST INCH, in the set top box, itself!

CableLabs also has the means to install software at no costs, a replacement for the worthless V-chip with software that allow "personalization" via the Internet by any "third party" (chosen by the parent) through the cable or phone wire. That third party, say an *OKTV* or a *TVMentor*, (see their web pages) partners with parents to not only block out selected TV and Internet a parent believes is inappropriate for her *specific child*. It can personalize both TV and Internet; educationally, ascetically and morally for each of her individual children, *including programs and web sites that are correlated to the child's state-mandated class curriculum!* The software installed makes obsolete the Network controlled V-Chip, an analog solution, useless in the new digital world of "personalization" media.

For \$50 more the boxes can have PVR added so the child can view "selected media" "anytime" rather only "real time." Another \$30 and it will wirelessly network with all TV's and PC's in the home so they can all be converted from child-centric negatives to child-centric positives. A set top box will have a (secret) 4 digit code so only adults can reverts it back to a normal set top box with all enhancements they'd want.

For the above reasons, and in keeping with the bipartisan "Leave no child behind" sentiment, you must free up the distribution and control of set top boxes from the tyrannous and greedy cable "ownership." And demand some of the above.

Do this and kids (who watch media twice as much as the time they spend in class) can view only GOOD (personalized) controlled-by-parent, digital media, resulting in test scores (as research shows) going up as much as 15 --20%.not to mention, higher morals and better health.

AT NO COSTS TO THE FEDERAL OR STATE GOVERNMENT.

Please, for all our children's sake make the cables stick to at least that part of the FCC 1996 ruling. That is, for them to give up their existing set-top-box monopoly ownership and control. So many other "third parties" (basically through the Internet) can provide cheaper, more built-in diversity and personalization that each consumer, especially parents, so desperately need!

The (Republican) FCC is now being "perceived" by most American as in the pockets of Big Media (the Ownership Rule) Please at least, throw the enraged parents of America a sop?

Don't sacrifice their kids on the altar of commerce. Make sure that box can be controlled in their home, not at the Headend!

Respectfully yours,

Ray Dobson